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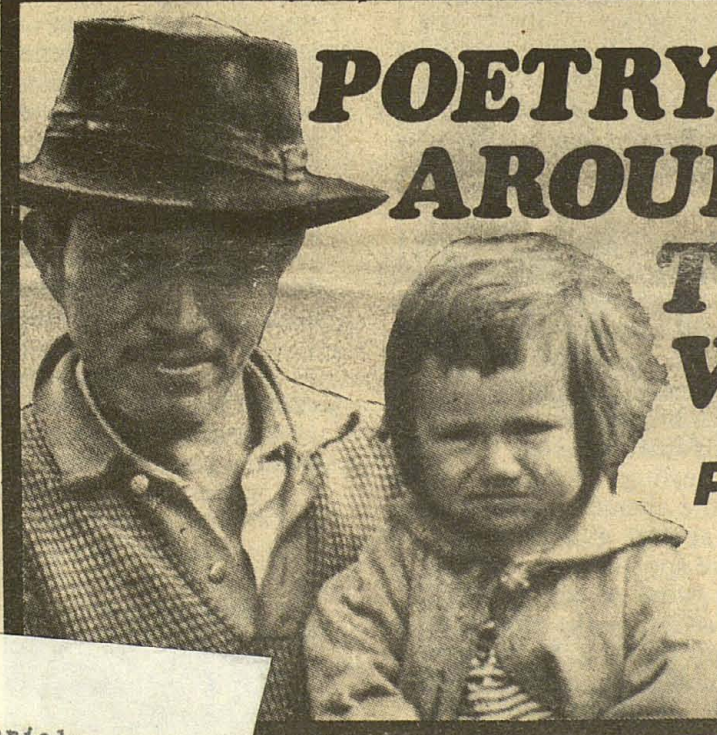

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DRUG NOTEBOOK ·PART 3·

STIMULANTS

AMPHETAMINES (SPEED)

Amphetamines were first used medically in the 1930's as an ingredient in decongestant inhalers. Since then, therapeutic or medical use of amphetamines is becoming very limited, but the large scale use of speed is still occurring. This can be seen in almost any major group in our society - from housewives to students to athletes to truck-drivers to young people on the streets.

They are still medically used, however, mainly for the following purposes:

1. To treat minor depression. The depression treated with amphetamines should be a minor, short-lived one, since amphetamines are short-lasting, and a deeper depression may follow the waning of the drugs' effects. Also, tolerance may build up with continuous use.
2. To control symptoms of narcolepsy - a condition in which a person frequently falls asleep in the middle of activities. The stimulant nature of amphetamines counteracts the desire to sleep, but in no way helps to cure the condition.
3. To counteract the depressant action of barbiturates, alcohol, etc.
4. To suppress appetite.
5. To control behavioral problems in children (hyper-activity).
6. To counteract or prevent sleep in persons required to perform or stay alert for long periods of time.

USE & ABUSE

The basis for misuse of amphetamines is their effect on the Central Nervous System such as arousal, euphoria, lessening of fatigue, increased energy and self-confidence, inhibition of appetite, and when injected into the veins, a "rush" of orgasmic feeling. The misuse or abuse generally revolves around one (or more) of four main reasons:

1. Weight control
2. Increased physical performance
3. Increased mental performance
4. Pleasure and excitement

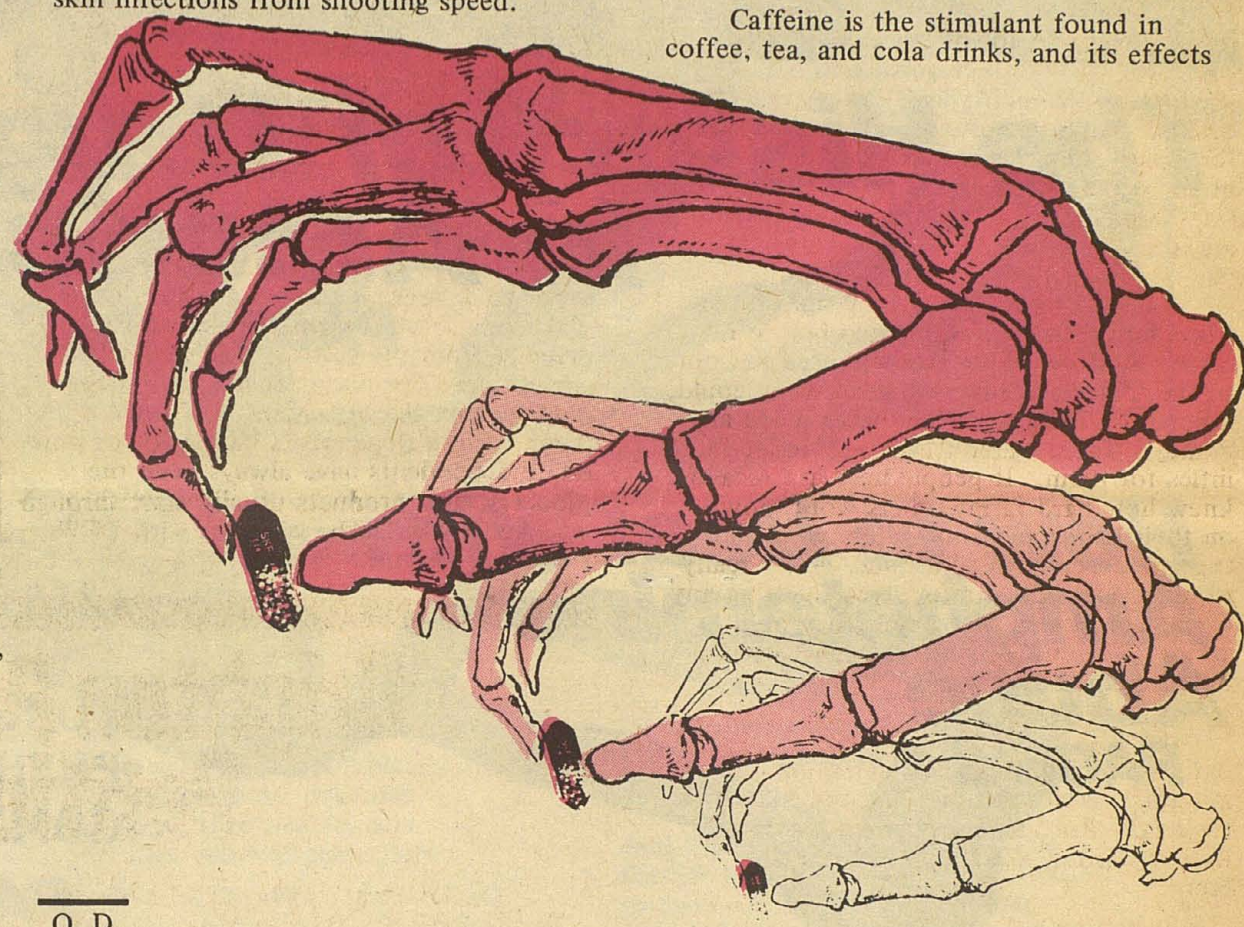
The use of amphetamines as diet pills, taken as medically directed, can aid in initial weight loss because they provide a kind of chemical willpower. However, there are dangers of dependency and other health-related drawbacks. If a person does not have the personal willpower to cut down on food intake and increase his physical activity, he may lack the willpower not to misuse prescribed diet pills.

In complex sporting events requiring many hours of learning formations and plays and how to react to opponents' movements, amphetamine use will hinder performance rather than help in the long run. Since basketball is a physically demanding game requiring unusual endurance, one might benefit, late in the fourth quarter, from the ability to suppress feelings of fatigue. However, the price of the chemical hyperexcitability, which the average athlete should not need in competitive sports, is a reduction in the ability to respond to complex plays of opponents, reduction in the ability to coordinate moves with those of teammates, and an overall reduction in the ability to concentrate and to analyze strategies.

And the same goes for the use of speed to improve mental performance or as a means for pleasure or excitement. Necessary functions of the body and mind are decreased or distorted as a sacrifice for other functions which increase.

The direct effect of chronic amphetamine abuse is insomnia, irritability, excessively dry mouth, grinding teeth movements with rubbing of the tongue along the inside of the lower lip (causing ulcers on lip and tongue), increased muscular activity, undernourishment and weight loss. Amphetamines do not create energy; they just mobilize already existing energy. Also, cardiac (heart) seizures and arrests have been known to occur, and prolonged use contributes to developing heavy paranoid syndromes.

Other complications arising from habitual use of amphetamines are serum hepatitis from unsterilized needles and abscesses and skin infections from shooting speed.



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Although very few deaths have been recorded in which an overdose of amphetamines is the cause, reports indicate that an abnormally high fever and shock are evident prior to death. If either of these signs are observed with a person who has taken a large dose, she should be taken to a hospital immediately! Oral doses would produce these effects between the first 30 minutes to 3 hours; intravenous injection would produce them anywhere between the first few minutes to 2 hours later.

Some abortive measures that can be used if somebody wants to come down are:

Ascorbic Acid (Vitamin C) 3 to 6 grams absorbs amphetamines in the blood stream.

7 tablespoons of "Accent" (Monosodium Glutamate) or 5 grams of Glutamic Acid (sold in health food stores) to relax muscles.

Something to remember about amphetamines is that they are physically addictive over a period of time, and withdrawal symptoms occur if the user doesn't get the accustomed dose. Paranoia, fatigue, depression and memory loss are the major symptoms of speed withdrawal. These symptoms may last for as long as 12 months.

OTHER STIMULANTS

Other stimulants widely used are cocaine, caffeine, and nicotine. The results of continued use of cocaine are similar to those of speed, even though no physical dependence is involved, nor does tolerance develop. The initial symptoms of cocaine overdose include stomach pains, hallucinations, chills or fever, vomiting, numbness and muscle spasms, followed by depressed and irregular respiration, convulsions, coma, and circulatory failure. Death may occur immediately after ingestion of the drug, or may be delayed 1 to 3 hours. If any of these symptoms are displayed by a person who has taken cocaine, act immediately - TAKE THE PERSON TO A HOSPITAL.

Caffeine is the stimulant found in coffee, tea, and cola drinks, and its effects are mild when compared to amphetamines. Some of the dangers of caffeine use are:

1. Caffeine increases the secretion of hydrochloric acid in the stomach which may aggravate a peptic ulcer.
2. With doses of one gram or more (6 cups of coffee) toxic symptoms occur including insomnia, restlessness, and excitement.
3. Tolerance develops with habitual use.

Nicotine, the primary active chemical in tobacco, is the most widely used stimulant drug next to caffeine. There is no known medical use for nicotine.

Low doses stimulate the autonomic nervous system (the one which stimulates glands and smooth nuscles). This leads to constriction of blood vessels, increased blood pressure, accelerated heart rate, and slight pupil dilation.

DANGERS: If swallowed, death can result within fifteen minutes. Nicotine is one of the most poisonous drugs known. Excessive smoking may lead to cancer of the lungs, larynx, and mouth.

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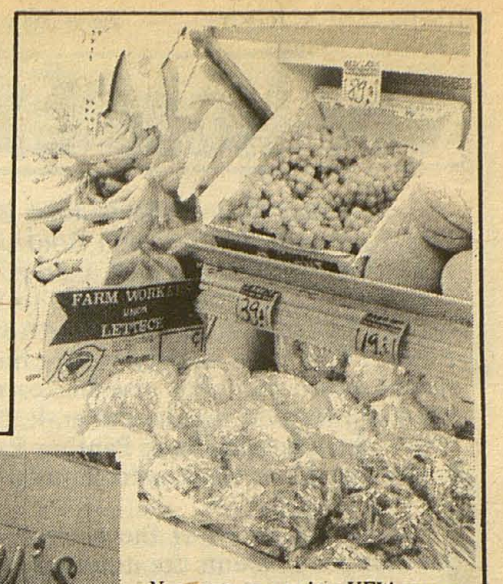
Danny's Finer Foods Grocer Tells Why He Sells ₩U.F.W.₩ Grapes And Lettuce



Now you can enjoy UFW grapes and lettuce (above) from Danny's Finer Foods, 2471 N. Clark, and help the UFW at the same time. At left are some of the people who work in the store - Mrs. Freita Ramirez, Julio Baez, and Mark Baiocchi.

Danny's Finer Foods is located at 2471 N. Clark (Clark & Fullerton) on the North side. It is one of the first stores to actively support the United Farm Workers (UFW) by selling only UFW-picked lettuce and grapes. Danny Ramirez, the owner, manager, and butcher of the store since October of 1970, talked with Rising Up Angry about why he sells only UFW produce. Here is part of that conversation:

RUA: How did you first decide to buy UFW lettuce and grapes instead of scab produce?

Mr. Ramirez: A lot of my customers had asked for UFW lettuce and wouldn't buy any lettuce unless it was UFW. One of my customers told me about a UFW meeting on the South side. I went and talked to some of the people there and it brought back to me the reality of what farmworker's lives are like.

I came from Mexico 17 years ago, and I had farmed cotton in Mexico before I came. And my older brothers used to come to the States and farm whatever they could, lettuce or anything. They never made any money. There weren't even any toilet facilities for them. If people here in Chicago knew how hard farmworkers work, down on their hands and knees, they would treasure every head of lettuce. They really would. And farmworkers aren't getting anything, except very low pay. They aren't asking to be millionaires, they just want a union and a decent life.

So I want to help them all I can. I wish I could do more but when you are struggling with your own business like I am, it's hard. But I help out in whatever way I can. I want to see the farmworkers on their feet.

RUA: What about the other people who work in your store? Do they share your feelings of support for the UFW?

Mr. Ramirez: Oh yes, they all do. We have good people, the best people, working in the store. We are like a family. In fact, when we had a fire in the store a year and a half ago, they all waited seven months for me to reopen, and some helped me clean up. And we are all behind the farmworkers.

RUA: How can other stores go about getting UFW lettuce and grapes as you have?

Mr. Ramirez: I hope other independent stores will start to carry UFW grapes and lettuce. They can tell their suppliers to get it for them. It might be a little difficult at first. You see, the shippers (Teamsters) don't allow too many cases of UFW lettuce to get to Chicago. A couple of months ago my supplier told me that there were only ten cases in the whole market and they had been hidden. But we have been able to get what we need. Or if stores have trouble getting it they can call Jesus Espinosa at this number: 247 - 9603. He will help them get UFW lettuce and grapes.

If other stores like mine, independents, were to go along with the UFW, there would be a lot of pressure at the market to get more UFW products into the area. There is demand from the customers now, but demand from the stores - that would be something. The reason that I say independents is that the big chains don't give a damn. But independents have a lot of power. Independents have always been the pioneers, new products usually start through us. And we could be pioneers with UFW lettuce and grapes.

And if we get together helping the UFW, it could also help us. As it is now we get no help. The chains get all the favors and the little guys get hurt. My wife and I work seven days a week. Independent owners know what it is like to suffer.

I do hope other stores will carry UFW products. The farmworkers deserve it.

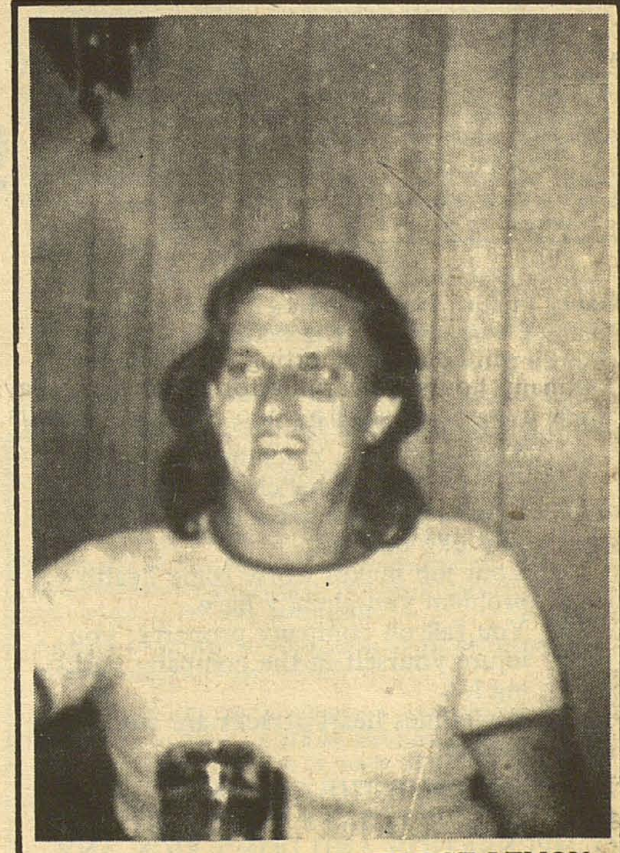
Mr. and Mrs. Ramirez are very fine people. We urge everyone who possibly can to shop at their store (or other independents that start to carry UFW grapes and lettuce) to help the farmworkers rather than the big chains which continue to try to break the farmworkers' union. Danny's Finer Foods is located at 2471 N. Clark, Clark & Fullerton.

Brighton Park Citizens Petition Police

On January 7, 1974, Officer Merrill Kaval of the 9th District shot to death George Lemon of Brighton Park (See Rising Up Angry Vol.5 No.15). Since that night, his mother, Helen Lemon, has appealed to the Chicago Police Department and the Cook County States Attorney's Office to listen to their side of the story. Her pleas fell on deaf ears.

But Mrs. Lemon is not alone in her demands that a thorough, public, investigation of George's death be made. Over 1000 of her friends and neighbors have signed their names to a petition demanding that the investigation happen and that the three police who were present during the incident take lie detector tests. There are too many contradictions in the police story and the story of other witnesses about what really happened that night.

Now it is up to Superintendent of Police James Rochford to show us whether his well-publicized utterances about the Chicago Police Department being responsive and open to the people are merely publicity stunts or not. The people will be watching very closely.



GEORGE LEMON

FBI Role Exposed In Fred Hampton Murder

(Chicago, Ill.) – The Federal Bureau of Investigation gave a detailed floor plan of Fred Hampton's apartment, marked to indicate exactly where he slept, to the office of Cook County State's Attorney Edward Hanrahan shortly before his special squad of police assassins carried out the predawn raid on December 4, 1969, in which the Chicago Black Panther Party leader and Mark Clark were murdered.

This disclosure of the federal government's role in the conspiracy to murder Fred Hampton came in FBI documents and an agent's testimony recently released in connection with a multi-million dollar civil damage suit filed on behalf of the mothers of Fred Hampton and Mark Clark, and the survivors of the murderous assault.

Recently released FBI documents also disclosed that a vial of the depressant phenobarbital was recovered from the apartment, supporting speculation that Brother Hampton was drugged prior to the raid. Witnesses have stated that Fred did not awaken during the raid, and was shot in the head while he lay asleep in bed. A private autopsy reported traces of a depressant in Hampton's body.

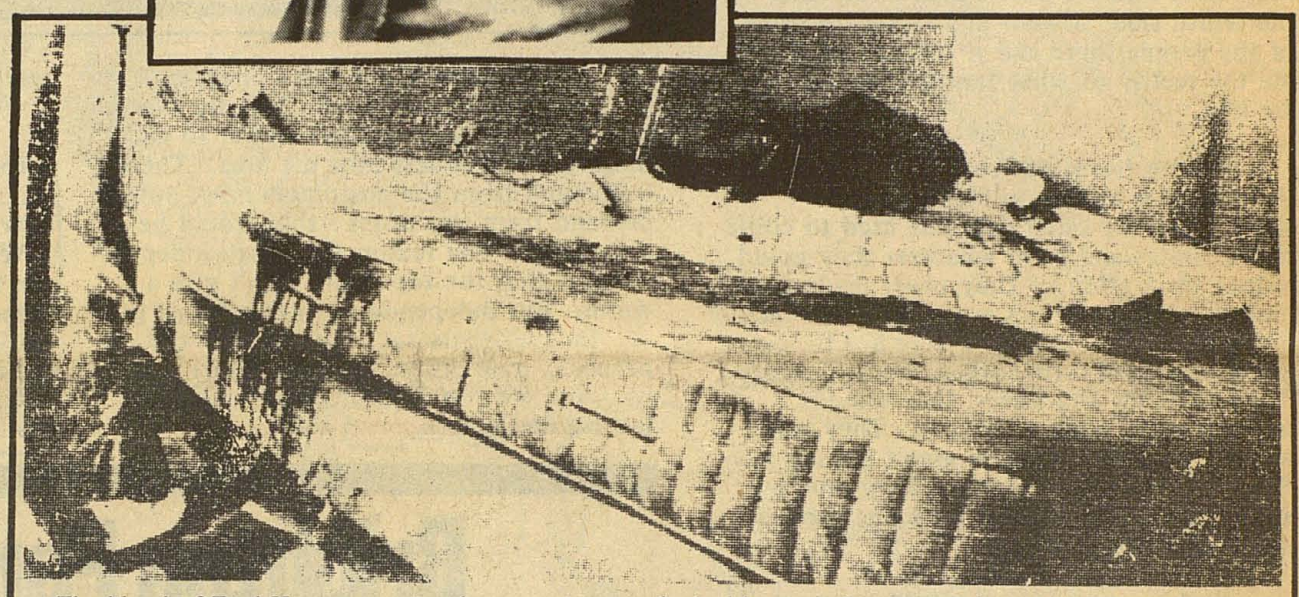
The controversy over the raid has spawned a number of official and private investigations, none resulting in the conviction of any of the police officials and officers responsible for the assault. The police at first described the incident as a fierce gun battle. However, it was later determined that all, except one, of the hundreds of rounds fired were from police rifles and machine guns.

Roy M. Mitchell, an FBI agent, testified in a deposition that he received a lay-out of the apartment from an informer and gave the information to Assistant State's Attorney General Richard Jalovec on December 2, two days before the raid. Jalovec, acting on orders from former State's Attorney Edward Hanrahan, authorized the raid.

Fred Hampton.

After a series of legal altercations with the judge who appointed him, the local special prosecutor Barnabas Sears, brought minor indictments charging a conspiracy to obstruct justice against Hanrahan, Jalovec, and the members of the raiding party. All were acquitted in a mock trial clearly staged from the outset.

The revelation of possession of the floor plan by the State's Attorney's office clearly contradicts testimony by police in the raiding party who claimed they were unfamiliar with the apartment. They said that because of unfamiliar surroundings, tension and confusion, raiders at the front and back doors were responding to one another's shots under the impression that they were being fired upon from inside. However, all the police gunfire went to the inside corners of the apartment, rather than toward the exits.



The blood of Fred Hampton stains the mattresses on the bed he was sleeping in when police raiders, guided by instructions from the FBI, assassinated him on December 4, 1969.

who can collect WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION?

In the last issue of Rising Up Angry there was an article explaining how corporations, insurance companies and doctors profited from the present workmen's compensation law. As inadequate as that law is, many people who are injured on the job are entitled to compensation benefits but never receive them. This article is intended to advise people of what their rights are under the present workmen's compensation laws. However, the whole procedure is often complicated, so if you are injured at work and think you are entitled to some compensation, don't hesitate to call us at 472-1791 or the National Lawyer's Guild at 939-2492 between 1–5 P.M.

If you are hurt on the job you can probably collect compensation. Under Workmen's Compensation the employer pays the premium on insurance for work connected injuries regardless of who is at fault. Sometimes work connected injuries are not obvious:

1) You work on a machine that causes you to bump your elbow hundreds of times a day and get a disabling condition like bursitis.
2) Your job makes worse some health problem you already have.
3) You fall on company property; you injure yourself in the company parking lot.
4) Sometimes heart attacks are work related.

DON'T BELIEVE THE COMPANY DOCTOR OR NURSE WHO SAYS YOU CAN'T GET COMPENSATION AND DON'T SIGN ANYTHING!!

WHO IS COVERED

Most employees are covered. You don't have to be a citizen to collect it.

HOW TO GET WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

You have to file a claim with the State Industrial Commission within one year of the injury or of the company's last payment for the injury. Your best bet is to get a lawyer immediately who understands workers' problems. (Rising Up Angry legal program can put you in touch with such a lawyer.)

WHAT YOU CAN COLLECT

Temporary Disability

If you miss more than seven consecutive days of work because of your injury, you are eligible to collect a percentage of your earnings. However, if you go back to work for a day or two during this time you break the string of consecutive days and won't be able to collect for any of the time off.

Permanent Disability

You are also entitled to separate compensation for the injury itself whether or not you were off work or paid your normal salary. Say you get a broken leg on the job and the boss gives you a soft job sitting around at your regular pay, or even better, continues paying you while you're at home. YOU CAN STILL COLLECT COMPENSATION. Everyone knows that once you break a bone it's never the same again. This holds true for most injuries. You will suffer some degree of disability. The extent you're disabled, your age, salary, and size of your family determines the amount you can collect. Don't think the boss is doing you a favor by continuing to pay you and provide you with medical care. A lot of companies do this to trick injured workers into thinking they have no right to compensation for their injury.

WHO PAYS THE DOCTOR & HOSPITAL BILLS

The company has to pay your doctor and hospital bills, but only if you use their doctor and their hospital. This is one of the bad things about Workmen's Compensation. Your hospitalization insurance will not pay any bills for injuries that happen on the job that could be covered by Workmen's Compensation. So, if you decide to use your own doctor and hospital, you will have to pay the bill yourself but you can still get compensation for your disability.

Build Real Unity-Not Racist Unity

editorial

Many of us are familiar with phrases like, "United we stand, divided we fall", and "In Unity There Is Strength." These sayings get thrown around so much that they become simple rhetoric, and the ideas behind them get lost. If people were united, then we'd have no problem dealing with Nixon, huge money-hungry corporations, pollution, etc. Our lack of unity has let these problems grow and allowed our enemy to get stronger.

Many different things are behind this lack of people's unity. But one of the main problems is racism – the idea that because of the color of one's skin that a human being is inferior to another. Capitalism has played a big part in this; look at the fact that peoples of different colors were brought to this country to be used as cheap labor (Blacks in the south; Chinese, Filipinos and Mexicans in the west). Capitalists who were exploiting these people spread an ideology that these people are "dumb and can't do anything else anyhow."

Today this racism has spread into the working people. Everywhere you go, you hear racial slurs. You hear this at a time when gas prices, food prices, taxes are going sky high. It's obvious that these conditions that are putting more pressure on our lives are not the fault of working people with different color skins.

But quite often people – especially white people – get so caught up in their racist view of the world that they get blinded to reality. For instance, as pressures increase on everyone there is a tendency to strike out at whatever is different from you. Unfortunately, this feeling often leads to attacking people of another race, who are different, but are in the same bag you are in.

White Gang Coalition a Mistake

An example of this kind of situation occurred on Friday night, June 21, when four north side clubs, the Aristocrats, Gaylords, Royals and Jousters, held a meeting. At this meeting the four clubs united, but they all kept their own names. It seemed like the underlying basis of this meeting was racism.

Rising Up Angry has known members of all these clubs for years. We've had many talks and some arguments with members of different clubs. We've seen all the above-mentioned clubs get involved in fights with other clubs – like the Latin Kings, Imperial Gangsters, Latin Eagles, etc. The clubs that merged are predominantly white. The Kings, Gangsters and Eagles are mostly Puerto Rican.

At the Friday night meeting, Rising Up Angry rapped with brothers and sisters from the different clubs. We heard people say things like, "Well, if 'they' stay in 'their' hood, everything will be O.K."; and "We'll help you out, you help us out"; and "White Nation."

Rising Up Angry's position was clear that night and all the time. Our position is that the basis for unity shouldn't be white clubs against Puerto Rican clubs. We feel poor and working people of all races must unite to take control of the government. We've not only talked about it, but our actions show we're for real. Like last August when the Jousters and the Gangsters were about to fight because of rumors spread by 14th District Police, and Rising Up Angry was able to bring leaders from both sides together to work out peace in the neighborhood (see RUA Vol. 5 No. 2).

When we look at our lives and think about how to make them better, we've got to look past fights with other clubs and see that our main problem is a government that serves big business and not people. When people recognize that, then we'll be able to unite clubs of all colors, with housewives, senior citizens, middle aged workers and children to build a new society that is based on the dignity of each human being. Our enemy – big business and big government – is too strong for us to get hung up in petty squabbles. We've got to unite to fight for what is right – before it's too late.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!

Letters to Rising Up Angry

Pontiac Brothers Read RUA

Rising Up Angry
Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I am writing to let you know that there are a lot of us residents (prisoners) here at the Pontiac Correctional Center (another way of saying prison) who like to read your paper. But we have one small problem that keeps a lot of us from getting the paper all the time. We receive about six or seven copies a month here but whenever one of the redneck guards gets ahold of the paper he destroys it. So I would like to ask you to give me a subscription to your paper. The more they see we get it the more they'll learn they can't stop us from getting the real truth from out there. Thank you very much for your time and trouble.

Yours truly,
Ted Strompolis
33181
Pontiac

Opinion On SLA

Editor,

To most people who have read or heard about the SLA, it would seem that their venture ended in a dismal failure in a small stucco house in Los Angeles. Here was a group of self-styled revolutionaries fighting it out with police, out-numbered at times 50 to 1. It would seem they died there, without accomplishing anything.

But actually, they did achieve some degree of success. They baffled our most efficient police organization for more than 3 months and they broadcast their philosophy of hate and anger to an entire world via the publicity of the Patty Hearst kidnapping. They succeeded in doing what many people have never been able to do in this repressive society, just getting someone to listen to them. They died because they had nothing else to live for. They had gotten their message across - they just did it the hard way.

David LaBue
North Chicago, Illinois

Open Letter From Virginia

An Open Letter to the People's Grapevine:
Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

If I'm fortunate enough to have my letter placed within the paper I hope to maybe reach a few brothers and sisters as well. Being Black and also incarcerated I'm held at a disadvantage. And I've been down so long that maybe I won't see up again.

After reading the Rising Up Angry for May 19 to June 9 I began to toy with the thought of writing a letter and asking a few sisters and brothers to write a lonely brother. And the more I thought about it the more positive I became that I should. With so much idle time on my hands I try not to allow this place to get the best of me.

I guess a lot of you are saying that I'm complaining. And you're right. But, then again I have something to complain about. Perhaps you're in the streets every day, but, does this make you free? Think about it. If you're of the dark pigmentation I say you aren't. Why?

Many people don't know of a bro named Dred Scot. The Supreme Court said that he had no rights. And he was indeed a Black man. And if you don't have any rights within this country you can't very well be a citizen. And let's face it, if you're not a citizen you aren't free by any means. Can't you see the writing on the wall?

My thanks to all concerned.

A Brother
Robery L. Hollins
Lorton, Virginia 22079

Also, I would like to start having RUA sent to me.

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HOME OWNERS BEWARE!

If you own your home, there is a law in Illinois you had better know about. If you don't, your home could be taken away!

This has happened to Mrs. Lillian K. Ware, of 1928 W. Foster in Evanston. Mrs. Ware, a 58 year old private nurse, first found she no longer owned her $25,000 home in 1972 when some perspective buyers stopped by to look at it. Her home had been put up for sale by David R. Gray, a Chicago real estate speculator.

What had happened is that she hadn't paid a $41.57 tax bill in 1968 when she was hospitalized for a heart condition. Because of this the title to her home was auctioned off by the city. This is legal in Illinois. The law which covers this is not a holdover from the 1800's. The law is only 20 years old, and was written and passed with the help of real estate operators, the people who would make the profit off this type of home-snatching.

The law authorizes local governments (city, village, county, etc.) to auction off two-month overdue property tax bills, if the owner doesn't respond to a warning notice within three weeks. The speculator who buys the taxes can take full title to the home after two years if the home owner has not attempted to buy back the taxes, almost always at an interest rate of 20% or higher. The only thing the speculator must do is send the owner a letter telling him that the taxes have been bought.

Mrs. Lillian Ware, of 1928 W. Foster, Evanston, stands in front of her home. Her home is being "legally" stolen from her. [Chicago Today Photo]

This law makes it possible for real estate speculators to make fabulous profits by leeching on unsuspecting home owners. Chicago attorney David R. Gray stole Mrs. Ware's $25,000 home for $41.57. That is a profit of $600 on the dollar which works out to an unbelieveable 60,000% profit. At a minimum the speculator will get his money back, plus 20% or more by selling back the taxes.

Mrs. Ware's nightmare, which started by not paying the last $41.57 of 10 annual installments for paving the alley behind her home, is not over. She has taken the case to both the Illinois and U.S. Supreme Courts, but both courts felt that it was perfectly legal to take a 58 year old woman's $25,000 home for $41.57. Mrs. Ware is scheduled for eviction. Who says you can't make a buck in America?

Woman fighting to win job back

On Saturday, June 1, DARE (Direct Action for Rights in Employment), a workgroup of the Chicago Women's Liberation Union, held a militant and spirited picket and rally in front of Chicago Osteopathic Hospital (COH), 52nd and Ellis, protesting the unfair treatment of Jo Anne Myers. Eighty to a hundred people participated. Employees hung out the hospital windows giving their support. Employees and members of the community signed petitions demanding that Jo Anne be reinstated in her job with back pay and full benefits.

Here is Jo Anne's story:

Jo Anne worked seven nights a week for two years as a National Cash Register computer operator for COH. In March, she requested a sick leave for two weeks for minor surgery. Such sick leaves are standard.

As soon as Jo Anne requested this leave, her boss, Mr. Gross, began an elaborate scheme to get rid of her. He wanted to fire her because she was known to stand up for her rights. Gross put an ad in the paper for a replacement for Ms. Myers. After an employment agency found someone to take Ms. Myers job, Gross told her she could go have her surgery on April 10. For the two weeks prior to April 10, Gross and others trained Jo Anne's replacement during the day, while she was working nights.

Ms. Myers came back on April 19, while still on her sick leave, and she found she no longer had a job. Gross told her that her shift had been eliminated and refused to allow her time to make childcare arrangements so that she would be able to work the new shift time.

Ms. Myers returned to COH the day she was due back to work, to tell Gross that she had made arrangements to work the new shift. He told her that the "matter is closed" and ordered her to leave the building.

In response to picket lines and other pressure from Jo Anne and DARE, COH set up a meeting with the women and Gross, the person responsible for her firing. Gross and the rest of the bosses have been stalling for time. They have told lies about Jo Anne to the other employees (who all know better than to believe them anyway). And they have refused to even talk in good faith to Jo Anne and the other members of DARE.

The administrators know that it is illegal to fire someone without warning notices. And they have changed their story so many times that everyone inside knows they are trying to cover up the skeletons in their closet.

The man who replaced JoAnne is quitting now partly because of the unfair treatment of Jo Anne. He called her up and told her, "You were discriminated against because you are a woman. I was discriminated against because I'm a Filipino. These folks think they can get away with anything, and if they can do what they did to you, they can do it to anyone at all."

The other workers at COH know that similar things are or could be happening to them. That's why they have called Jo Anne to wish her their best and why they will get together to fight. Jo Anne's fight for her job will be continuing.

If you are interested in helping in any way please call Jo Anne at 599-3153 or the Chicago Women's Liberation Union at 953-6808.

to all the brothers who haven't gotten the message yet

Dear R.U.A.

This letter is to all the brothers who haven't gotten the message yet:

There has been alot of talk about women's lib, and everyone agrees that women should have equal pay, equal job opportunities, etc. But some of you are still treating us like dirt.

You may not know this but we don't enjoy walking down the street and being honked at, having dirty remarks made to us, and being generally treated like sluts. We would appreciate some respect.

So the next time you see someone who turns you on, keep your cat calls and insults to yourself, we don't want to hear them.

Unity for Brothers & Sisters
All Power to the People

A Sister

3,000,000 elderly poor

More than three million elderly Americans still live below the government-defined economic "poverty line," according to a new study by the poverty index.

An additional two million people would be in the poverty category if they did not live with families whose incomes are over the poverty level.

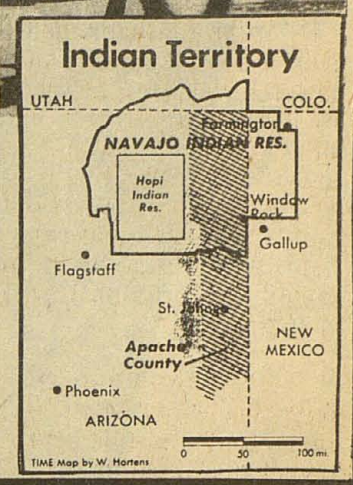
Social security constitutes the major economic support for many of the elderly. The monthly check provided 90% of the income for 32% of the single retired workers and 14% of retired couples.

It has been well over a year now since American Indians (Native Americans) in conjunction with the American Indian Movement seized control of the small town of Wounded Knee, South Dakota, declaring once again their existence as an independent nation. And at the same time they made it known to far more people than ever before that their people have been subjected to a very long trail of broken treaties, of broken promises, receiving instead, both today and yesterday, massive doses of abuse and injustice. The brothers and sisters at Wounded Knee represented the rapidly rising feelings of resentment, frustration, anger and reborn pride held by Native Americans throughout North America.

Wounded Knee was that spark that lit the prairie fire. Like a swollen river overflowing its banks, the Indian people of North America are everywhere in motion, organizing, educating and struggling to overcome the life of degradation, poverty and dependence that successive U.S. governments have attempted to shove down their throats. Now Wounded Knee is everywhere.

Most recently there is thunder in the Navajo nation. The Navajos, North America's largest tribe with at least 140,000 people living on a 13 million acre reservation of dry desert land in Utah, New Mexico and Arizona, are the poorest people living within the continental borders of the U.S.A. Six out of ten Navajo houses have no electricity; eight of ten have no running water or sewerage systems. Unemployment tops 56% and per capita income is less than $1000 a year. Several weeks ago Rising Up Angry met and talked with brother Wilbert Tsosie in Farmington, New Mexico, a growing industrial and Indian exploiting town on the northeastern border of the Navajo reservation. Wilbert is one of the leaders of the Coalition for Navajo Liberation (CNL). We learned a lot about the conditions of life and struggle among the Navajo people.

(above) One of many Indians recently arrested in Farmington, New Mexico in protest of the murder of several Indians by whites. (right) Wilbert Tsosie, one of the leaders of the Coalition for Navajo Liberation, recently interviewed by Rising Up Angry.



Navajo Indians Face Economic Exploitation, Murder and Racism

This is some of what we learned: The Navajo Tribal Council, which is technically the governing body of the reservation, is allowing large corporations to rape the land. There is strip mining going on, and already there are two power plants on the reservation (with six more planned) including the world's largest which serves southern California. Companies like Exxon, Western Coal Company, El Paso Natural Gas and many more are making great profits off the Navajo's natural resources, as does the state which makes millions taxing the corporations while complaining that Indians pay no taxes. It was not the grass roots people, but the Tribal Council, a tool of Washington's Bureau of Indain Affairs, that gave these large multi-billion dollar corporations the go ahead. The Tribal Council, while improving the economic holdings of the tribe as a whole by allowing outside Capitalist Corporations to exploit the tribal land, has done very little thus far to actually improve the situation of the tribal people.

Blatant racism is a problem every Indian faces. For several thousand Indians living in Farmington (population 23,000), as well as thousands coming in from San Juan County and the reservation to shop, the condition is one of constant intimidation, harassment and cruelty. Shop owners, liquor stores and taverns bleed the people of what little money they have. Racism is rampant among the white youth of the town as well as the older merchants, with high school students getting their kicks beating and rolling drunk Indians trying to return home. It is reported that some students trade in Indian fingers just as some perverted G.I.'s traded in the fingers of Vietnamese. As Farmington expands and "improves", it forgets about, or more accurately consciously leaves the Indian population out when it comes to improved roads, medical and recreational facilities.

The racism in Farmington is intense. It is rooted in long-time and rampant exploitative acts ranging from "killing or making prisoner of every Navajo male—on sight" as General Carleton and his troops did 110 years ago when attempting to conquer the Navajo and steal their land, to making alcohol available nearly everywhere surrounding the reservation, to buying Indian crafts for nearly nothing and selling them at outrageous mark-ups and profits to tourists and customers throughout this country and Europe. It is this racism that led to the brutal and sadistic murders of three Navajos this spring. And it is these murders (and seven other Indian murders in Gallup and Farmington in the past year), and the city's refusal to take any meaningful steps to change conditions that has finally blown the lid off the situation in Farmington.

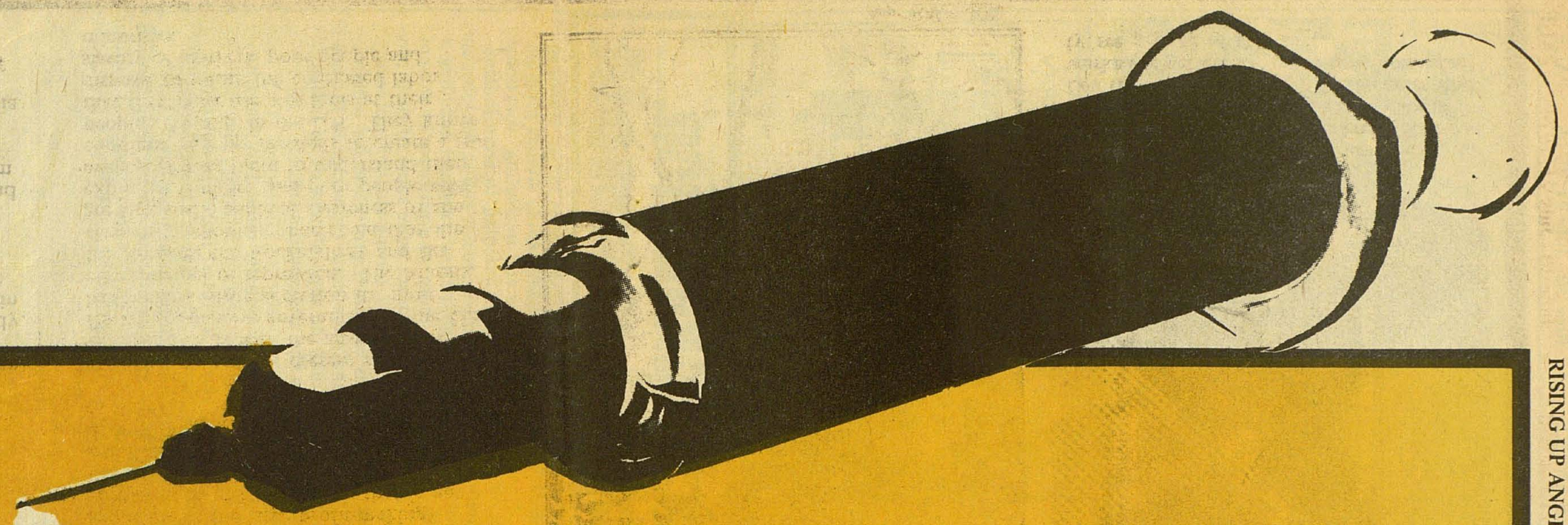
In late April, the bodies of three Indian men (John Earl Harvey, 39, Herman Bannaly, 34, and David Igancio, 52) were found by picnickers in the hills and arroyos north of Farmington. Their bodies were burned and mutilated, their hands and heads crushed by stones, their clothing torn, and their genitals scorched. Three white juveniles age 15 and 16, who had attended Farmington High, have confessed to the murders. And among the Navajo people there are many families who have missing members, people whose whereabouts are unknown. Now these people have good reason to wonder if their missing sons and daughters, fathers and mothers too are laying murdered in an arroyo somewhere.

COALITION RESPONDS

On May 11, the Coalition for Navajo Liberation presented a list of demands to the city government. These demands concerned improving jails, more Indians on the police force which has only one of sixty-five, and making the schools more responsive to Indian students by implementing an Indian studies program in all the schools and instituting vocational training programs oriented to serve Indians needs. And the demands called for jobs, an alcoholic rehabilitation program, including a meeting with those who profiteer in alcohol and having them set aside some of their profits to go toward solving alcohol problems, as well as consumer protection for Indians, better and more honest coverage in the news media, and the appointment of an Indian liason in the city government.

The city initially refused to deal with the Coalition. So on Saturday, May 25th CNL staged a protest march in downtown Farmington. The Mayor's response was "I know how Custer must have felt." Up to 3000 people have come out on these marches. Because of the city's unresponsiveness to their demands, The Coalition for Navajo Liberation has initiated an economic boycott against the merchants of the town, and have also started a campaign to close the bars. This campaign is intended to get the younger Indians to understand the problems of alcohol and to help them cut it loose from their lives, as well as closing the bars that make a fortune selling whiskey to the Indians.

On Friday, June 7th a judge in a closed hearing turned the three white juveniles charged in the murders over to a juvenile reformatory. This means they will be tried as juveniles and not as adults. By law they could be tried either way. What it means is a direct slap in the face of the Indian people. Had the murdered been white and the defendants Indian (or Black, or Latin), you could lay heavy odds that the defendants would have been making their defense in an "adult" courtroom. It also means that the defendants could get out of jail by the time they are twenty-one. *(Continued on page 12)*



a short history of drug addiction in america

Drug addiction has been so much a part of the history of the United States that Betsy Ross would have done well to wait a few years and sew hypodermic needles rather than stars on the American Flag. Narcotics addiction has gone hand in hand with the history of greed and exploitation and misery that have made the United States the economic and military power that it is today.

By the Nineteenth Century, many Americans were already looking for an escape from the drudgery and misery of their condition. Narcotics, usually Morphine, were frequently prescribed by doctors as a pain reliever. Medicines such as Winslow's Soothing Syrup, Perking's Diarrhea Mixture, and others were a common item sold over the counter and by peddlers travelling the country in wagons. These medicines contained five to ten percent Morphine, Codine, or Opium and were spooned to children as well as adults.

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Opium and its products were first used as a tool of repression by the British government and the British monopolies. To facilitate its domination over the people of China, the British imperialists forced the Chinese government to open its ports to the huge quantities of opium being imported by British private and government fleets. The importation of opium into China had two effects:

1) It created huge profits for the British Monopolists, and

2) It facilitated what would otherwise be a difficult task, the repression of the largest potential revolutionary nation in the world. (Read accounts of the Opium War of 1839.)

The fascist and oppressive U.S. government has followed the British example and has for years through unholy alliances with the mafia promoted drug addiction and traffic in the Chicano, Puerto Rican and Black communities. It has not stopped there. The government is now actively promoting drug addiction among white middle-class youth.

It is not difficult to understand the government's reasons. An addicted people, dependent on drugs, is a robot people ready to do anything for its supply of poison. The individualism and selfishness that addiction creates in the addict is the worst enemy of the group consciousness and unselfishness necessary to struggle with the people for liberation. Opiates allow the addict to escape the reality of his and the people's misery, suffering and exploitation. One who ignores misery will not seek to organize and participate in the struggle

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Public scandal soon brought pressure for an end to drug addiction. The Bayer Drug Company, who presently produces the widest used pain killer, aspirin, discovered heroin not only cured Morphine addiction, but also served as a pain killer, cough medicine and tranquilizer. The Bayer Drug Company was able to accomplish the addiction of thousands of workers, housewives and children for 15 long years.

In 1914 Congress passed the Harrison Narcotics Act which prohibited the public distribution of opiates. Refusing to provide for the treatment of addicts, Congress forced hundreds of thousands of people -- most of them ordinary citizens with jobs and families -- to face the prospect of enormously painful and usually ineffective "cold turkey" withdrawals. At first, doctors and hospitals and clinics tried to ease the problem by prescribing drugs in decreasing doses, making gradual withdrawal possible. But the Federal Government and the courts chose to interpret the Narcotics Act in the strictest possible way.

Government agents began raiding clinics and closing down the places. Thirty thousand doctors were persecuted and 3,000 were actually jailed. By 1924 all kicking pads were closed down, bringing more crime into the poor areas, giving the addict no other choice but to turn to the illegal market. At a time when drug addiction could have been erased, the Government saw it fit to neglect the treatment of its citizens, and was the sole initiator of the underground drug traffic market.

During the 1950's more then 25% of the Morphine produced by Turkey and Pakistan was being transported through the "Turkey-Marseilles-New York Route", making its purchase as easy as buying candy. During the 1960's public scandal once again brought attention to the drug problem. It was touched off by the realization of the ruling and middle classes that the drugs which they for so long tolerated and sold among Chicanos, Blacks, Puerto Ricans, and other poor peoples were reaching their own children. By 1970, it became known that the Cuban exiles had taken over the operation in the East Coast, while the Mafia moved to Southeast Asia, where American military intervention now produces 70% of the World's Opium.

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Government reports have proven that opium and its derivatives are the widest used consumer product in the nation. The Federal Bureau of Narcotics estimates that in 1970, 45 pounds of heroin were seized. In 1971, 937 pounds were seized by Customs Officials. Annually more than 25,000 pounds of Opium enter the country. The government is not only involved in gathering statistics on the amount of drugs consumed, but, according to recently published evidence, government agencies and officials throughout the world, not only fail to destroy this drug traffic, but actually conspire in the mass production of drugs in their respective countries and in their exportation to the Heroin Market in the U.S.A.

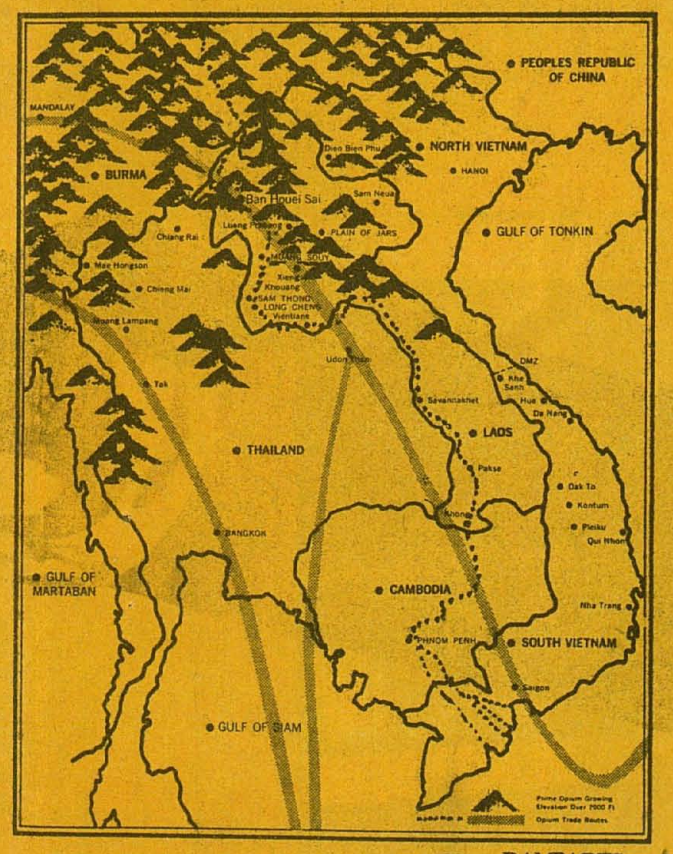
USE OF DRUGS AS TOOLS OF SOCIO-POLITICAL REPRESSION

The profits that have been made off the miseries of others through the drug traffic are fantastically high. Experts have estimated that close to $5.5 to $8.5 billion dollars in annual sales make drugs the highest single consumer product in the U.S. and possibly the world. Although it is well established that the government of the U.S. has been a close friend and protector of the large profit-making corporations of the country, that is not the only reason for the government's involvement in the manufacture and distribution of heroin and other drugs in the U.S.

History and the present situation in the U.S. provide us with the answer. The fascist - oppressive government of the U.S. has found in drug addiction its most effective tool of repression. The Nixons, the Reagans, the Rockefellers, and the class they represent understand that the growing social-political awareness of the exploited workers and poor people will eventually lead them to understand their condition and the methods to create a true people's republic in the U.S. They know that they must use any tools at their disposal to insure the continued labor slavery of workers, poor people and minorities.

Opium, grown in the highlands of Laos, Thailand and Burma, is flown out of Indochina by Air America (see map below). This corporation, owned by the Chennaults (close friends of Nixon) is responsible for the transport of opium, and is also the "official" Indochina airline, carrying CIA personnel. The CIA is Air America's largest contractor. With the Nixon administration's involvement in Indochina during the Vietnam War came the flowering of the new heroin capital of the world - Indochina, whose opium traffic was grossing anywhere from $250 to $500 million per year. Contrary to President Nixon's claims, the U.S. government and military were directly and indirectly responsible for the thousands of GI addicts returning from Vietnam, as well as the thousands turned on to heroin inside the U.S. in the past 10 years.

For more information, see RAMPARTS magazine May, 1971.



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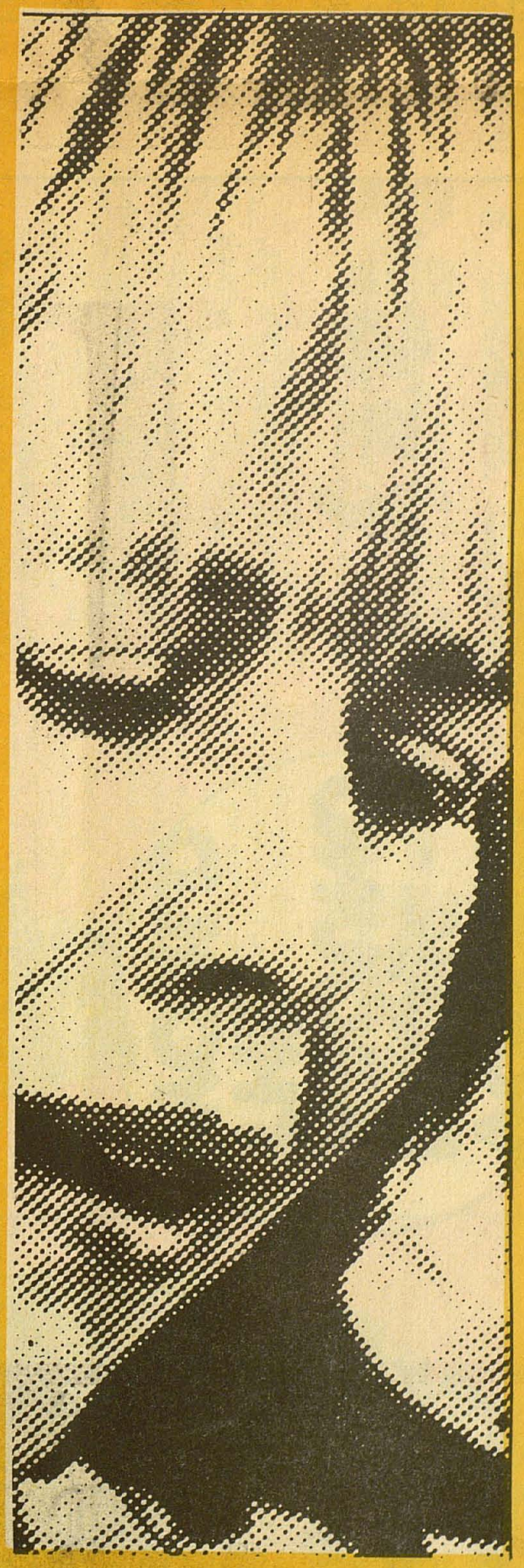


This article originally appeared in a pamphlet put out by the Los Tres Defense Committee. For more information about Los Tres, three brothers in Los Angeles who worked to get heroin out of their community, see page 12 of this issue.

VOICES FROM AROUND THE WORLD

PERU - SOUTH AMERICA

THE MASSES

At the end of the battle
the combatent was dead and a man came
up to him
and said: "Don't die, I love you so!"
But the corpse, ay, it kept on dying.

Two came and they repeated:
"Don't leave us! Courage! Come back
to life!"
But the corpse, ay, it just kept on dying.

Twenty came, a hundred, a thousand,
five hundred thousand,
clamoring: "So much love, and not to
be able
against death!"

Millions of individuals crowded around
with a common plea: "Stay, brother!"
But the corpse, ay, it kept on dying.

Then everyone on earth
surrounded him; the anguished corpse
saw them, was moved,
stood slowly,
embraced the first man, began to walk . . .

Cesar Vallejo (Peru)

UNITED STATES - NORTH AMERICA

PEOPLE

Our eye may see things different
but we are the same
Our feet may have treaded upon different
ground
but we are the same
Our love for people may approach from
different sides
but we are the same
We may carry different brand names
but we are the same
So let's come together!

Shasha Malik
(Henry Brown)

VIETNAM - ASIA

Invitations

We will invite the youth
Who bear on their bodies
And in their minds and hearts
the wounds of war.
The brothers from the Chinese
border to the Gulf of Thailand.

We will invite our friends from the West.
Those whose fathers went and never
returned,
Those who the war has taken their loved
ones.

We will invite our friends
From north and south Korea,
From east and west Germany,
And the poor miserable ones from Santo
Domingo.

We will invite the survivors
From behind the mushroom columns of
smoke
Of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

We will invite the demonstrators against war
And the mothers from five continents.
Our own mothers in traditional dress and
long hair.
Will welcome those suffering people from
all over.

We will say new words
Our hearts filled with human love
And a new language
For those who were the enemy.

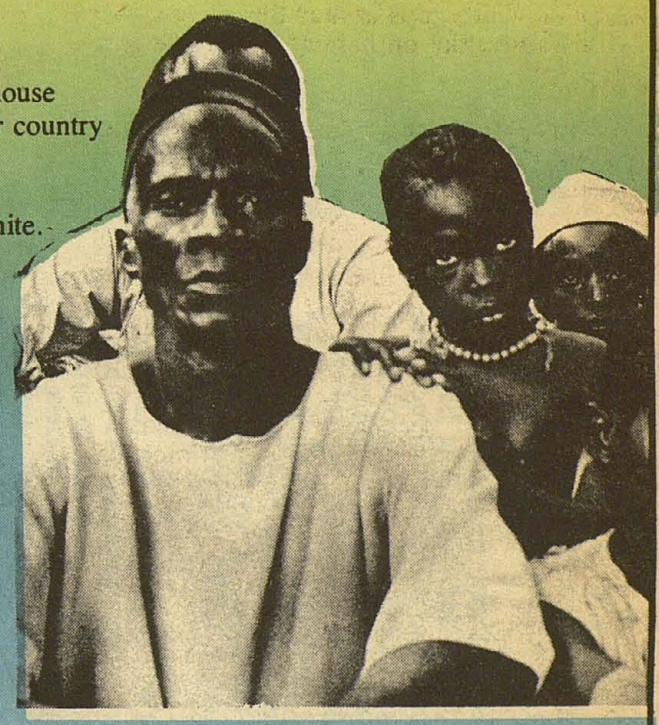
Hai Ha

MOZAMBIQUE - AFRICA

Brother from the west—
(How can we explain that you are our brother?)
the world does not end at the threshold of your house
nor at the stream which marks the border of your country
nor in the sea
in whose vastness you sometimes think
that you have discovered the meaning of the infinite.
Beyond your threshold, beyond the sea
the great struggle continues.
Men with warm eyes and hands hard as the earth
at night embrace their children
and depart before the dawn.
Many will not return.
What does it matter?
We are men tired of shackles. For us
freedom is worth more than life.

From you, brother, we expect
and to you we offer
not the hand of charity which misleads and humiliates
but the hand of comradeship committed, conscious.
How can you refuse, brother from the west?

FRELIMO, 1973



2 Black Sailors Rap on Navy Racism

The following interview with two Black sailors is reprinted in part from the Grapes of Wrath, the newspaper of the enlisted men and women's Defense Committee (Tidewater), published in Norfolk, Virginia. The names are false to protect the men from Navy persecution. John and Ted, the names used, are crewmen aboard the U.S. aircraft carriers Kennedy and Forrestal.

QUESTION: There's been a lot of talk over the last year about racial troubles on the Navy's aircraft carriers, like the Kitty Hawk and the Constellation. Could you tell us something about your ships, what problems you see?

TED: Like this First Class had the nerve to sit around with these two White guys and talk about "niggers being this" and "niggers being that", "shiftless" and "lazy", and all this. He was talking about "niggers", but he used my name, you know, to emphasize. So the guys took him to Mast for it, but nothing ever happened about it. Racism doesn't come from the E-3 and below, it's the people that have the little seniority, and the brass.

JOHN: OK, for instance, there are certain very technical ratings in the Navy, and I have heard one chief in one of these rating say that the reason why there are no Blacks in his rating is because he feels that there are no Blacks intelligent enough to hold the job. He had the say-so as to who would enter his rating.

TED: They get down on Puerto Ricans too. They want to know why do Puerto Ricans speak Spanish when they're just by themselves?

QUESTION: One thing we hear from a lot of White guys is that Blacks get away with things, like on haircuts, work details, etc.

TED: No, I don't believe that, man. About these haircuts, the Blacks just refuse to get their hair cut.

If everybody would just say, "We're not going to get a haircut," then things would happen that way.

Like on my ship, when they had these inspections, everybody got the ship squared away. I had been cleaning there for about three weeks, and everytime this inspector came around, I got "satisfactory." And this one day, I left the space. I cleaned the space, and then I left and told this White guy to watch it for me. I didn't work no harder than I had usually been doing, so the guy comes around and gives me an excellent."

So I tell the White guy, "Yeah, if you hadn't been here, it probably would've been an "unsat." So he says, "Yeah, it probably would have been."

So no, about Blacks getting away with things, I don't believe it.

JOHN: I think people are becoming more aware today, they're beginning to understand that this isn't just a prejudice kind of thing, it's not just a "honky" or "nigger" kind of thing.

So I think the problem is not racial. It's a power thing. I blame it on the Navy structure, on the caste system of the Navy. Institutionalized racism is a part of everything.

QUESTION: What do you think about these different race relations programs the Navy has now? Do you think they do any good?

JOHN: The Navy's biggest problem is that they deal with the symptom and not the disease. Whenever an incident occurs, all of a sudden there is a huge amount of interest generated in these programs. But when they believe it's a safe time again, the interest dies out.

QUESTION: What do you think it would take to really solve the problem of racism in the military?

JOHN: I hate to be negative about it, but I believe that not very much can be done, because unless you change the very military structure itself, racism is a constant thing. I'm not talking about reforms, I'm talking about change -- something stronger than reform.

QUESTION: What would people have to do to make that kind of change?

JOHN: I notice that Holland has a servicemen's union, and they are very powerful. Last year they voted to do away with the saluting of officers. They also abolished haircuts. Perhaps something like this, a strong servicemen's union, might be a necessary step. The next step, as a matter of fact.

"I WAS RIGHT IN DOING WHAT I DID."

So said Dick Bucklin upon return from 5 years in exile as an Army AWOL. Dick was sentenced to 15 months in the stockade for the "crime" of refusing to fight an illegal, immoral war. Upon release he will begin his life sentence with a Bad Conduct Discharge.

More recently his fellow exile in Sweden, Army AWOL Lewis Simon, was sentenced to 7 months in the Stockade plus a Bad Conduct Discharge.

In the U.S. there are more than half a million vets with Bad Discharges -- mostly for resisting the war and the racism and militarism of the Armed Forces. Black vets suffer disproportionately.

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A Quick Look At How Stewart Warner Steals Its Employees' Wages

Here are two charts that show what every Stewart Warner employee knows--- that Stewart Warner does not give a fair day's pay for a fair day's work.

Table 1 lists wages for different positions at Stewart Warner as of December 1972. The 2nd column lists the average wage for the same position in all large unionized plants in the Chicago area. The 3rd column lists the "stolen wage", the difference between the average and what Stewart Warner pays. If you take the number of union employees, 2600, and multiply that by the average "stolen wage", which is $1.37 per hour, you get a rough estimate of what Stewart Warner steals per hour--- $3,562 per hour!!

TABLE I. STOLEN WAGES

Position (Labor Grade)	S.W. Wage (Dec. '72)	Average Wage	Stolen Wage
Packer, light (11)	$3.12	$3.65	$ .53
Packer (10)	3.21	4.70	1.49
Order Fillers (10)	3.21	4.53	1.32
Janitresses (11)	3.12	3.66	.54
Janitors (10)	3.21	3.97	.76
Sheet Metal Workers (6)	3.68	5.95	2.27
Millrights (5)	3.81	5.88	2.07
Machine-Tool Operators (tool room)	4.19	5.94	1.75
Tool and Die Makers	4.78	6.37	1.59

TABLE II. THEFT THROUGH LEGAL TRICKERY AND THE ABSENCE OF A COST OF LIVING CLAUSE

Rate of Pay (Dec.'72-'73)	Wage Increase (Agreed on)	Wage Increase (Received)	Stolen	Lost to Inflation
2.68 to 2.82	.18	.17	.01	.36
2.83 to 3.03	.19	.18	.01	.36
3.04 to 3.28	.20	.19	.01	.36
3.29 to 3.51	.21	.20	.01	.36
3.52 to 3.74	.22	.21	.01	.36

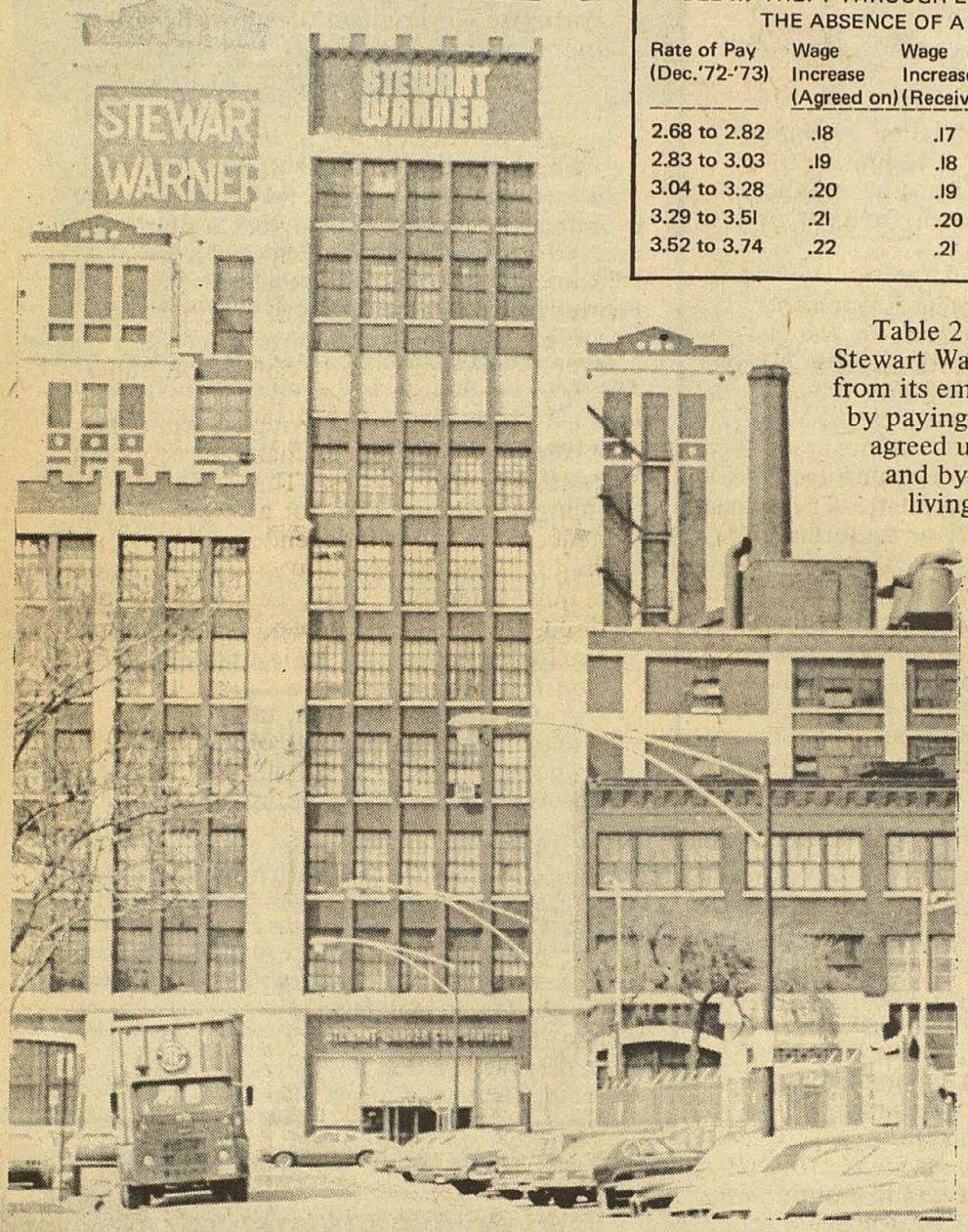

Table 2 lists the other way Stewart Warner is stealing money from its employees. This is done by paying employees less than agreed upon in the contract and by not having a cost of living clause in the contract. Column 1 shows the wage a person was making prior to the raise in December of 1973. Column 2 was the wage increase agreed upon between the company and the union. Column 3 was what Stewart Warner really paid. Column 4 is the "stolen wage" - the difference between what management promised and what they pay. Column 5 is how much is lost to inflation.

Is it any wonder Stewart Warner workers are angry?

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On the next day, Saturday, June 8th, there was the San Juan County Sheriff's Rodeo, which was actually a show force by the police marching downtown. For the first time it included a calvary, dressed in the same uniforms as those worn 110 years ago by the troops of General Carleton in their campaign of genocide against the Indians. During the march this calvary charged Indian spectators, spearing several of them with flag staffs. Thirty three Indians were arrested after a struggle that sent some police to the hospital. For hours later, Indians in the town were indiscriminantly stopped, harassed and rounded up by the police. It was clearly a "police riot", a set-up.

So the struggle for Indian rights in this country is far from over. The Coalition for Navajo Liberation is leading the Navajo people in their struggle against racism, economic exploitation, cultural corruption, and inadequate and unresponsive tribal government. And from hundred of miles away they are visited by Indians from way out on the reservation, asking for information, asking for help, wanting to learn how to carry the message and the struggle to all the people. The Coalition for Navajo Liberation, and all the Indian people of this land are a force to be reckoned with. The U.S. government, and the economic interests it represents, should have known that the peace of submission that they tried to beat the Indians into was not final. And for all the people of North America we must come to understand the events of both the past and the present, and we must all work together to set things right.

LEGAL BATTLE LOOKING UP FOR ANTI-DRUG ACTIVISTS

"Jesse James" Charge Dropped Against 2 Of Los Tres

LOS ANGELES (LNS)--Two of the three defendants in the Los Tres case won a victory on May 16 when the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals dropped the notorious "Jesse James" charges against them.

The court dropped the charge, which carries a twenty-five year sentence for assault upon a custodian of federal mail, money or other property, after months of organizing by the Committee to Free Los Tres.

Los Tres del Barrio were members of a Chicano community organization, La Casa de Carnalismo (House of Brotherhood), which launched a campaign during the spring and summer of 1971 to combat drug traffic in East Los Angeles. The campaign in the Boyle Heights area began to reduce the sales of heroin and seconal (downs).

In August, 1972, Los Tres—Rodolfo Sanchez, Juan Fernandes, and Alberto Ortiz—were charged with conspiracy to commit crimes against the United States (five year maximum sentences); conspiracy to commit assault on a federal agent (10 year maximum sentences); and the "Jesse James" law.

In their activities to drive drug pushers out of the barrio, Los Tres had shot Bobby Parker (actually Federal agent Robert Canales) not knowing he was a federal officer. Parker was known in the community as a heroin pusher.

Canales, who was in prison for bank robbery, was offered a parole if he would infiltrate leftist organizations. He was involved with the frame-up of the Soledad Brothers---George Jackson, Fleeta Drumgo and John Cluchettee—and was sharing his services with four different government agencies. Those agencies were the FBI, the Special Service Unit of the Los Angeles Police Department, the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs, and the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Division of the Treasury Department.

On June 3, lawyers for Los Tres filed motions with the Court of Appeals to drop the remaining charges against them. The Defense Committee believes that the two recent victories—the release in November of Los Tres on $50,000 bail each, and the recent dropping of the "Jesse James" charge—may favorably affect their continuing legal struggle.

For further information, contact: Committee to Free Los Tres, PO Box 33511, Los Angeles, California, 900033 or call (213) 223-3471.

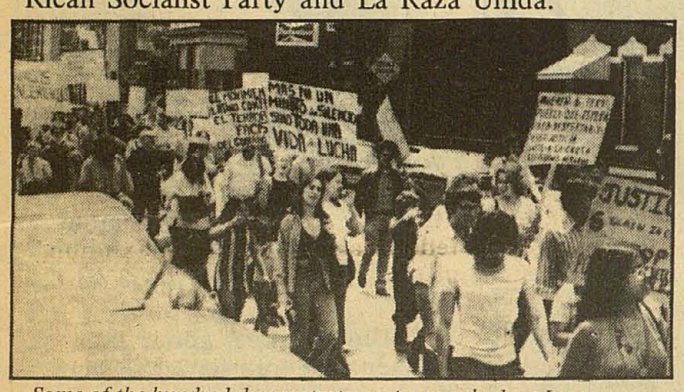
NEWS AT A GLANCE

National

Bombings Kill Six Colorado Chicanos

In two separate incidents, six Chicano activists were killed and one critically injured when bombs exploded in their cars in Boulder, Colorado. On May 27, Reyes Martinez (an attorney involved in farmworker immigration cases), Neva Romero (a member of United Mexican American Students) and Una Joakola (a student at Colorado University) were blown up shortly after they parked their car in Boulder. On May 29, Florencio Granado (a La Raza Unida member) and friends Heriberto Teran and Francisco Dougherty were killed in their car and Antonio Alcantar was injured with serious burns, an amputated leg, and seared lungs. Community leaders charge a conspiracy in the deaths (the two incidents occured with 48 hours) by a right wing group or the Colorado police, which have a history of attacking Chicano activist groups. Since the deaths, the police have ransacked the homes of the victims and their families with improper search warrants.

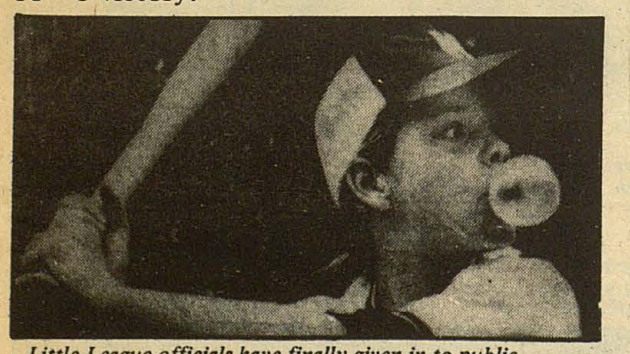
In Chicago, on June 8, 100 people marched to protest the bombing murders. The march was organized by the Puerto Rican Socialist Party and La Raza Unida.



Some of the hundred demonstrators who marched on June 8th in Chicago to protest the political murders of six Chicano activists in Colorado.

Girl Pitches No-Hitter in Little League

Little League officials have relented and asked Congress to change their charter to allow girls to play. One official attributed the change in policy to "the changing social climate". The new policy does not, however, assure girls places on teams. This question is left up to local coaches who must base their decisions on an individual's competance at baseball skills. One coach in Virginia made a wise decision to let Bunny Taylor, eleven, pitch against an all boy team. While pitching a no hitter, she struck out nine and walked three to lead her team to a 16 - 0 victory.

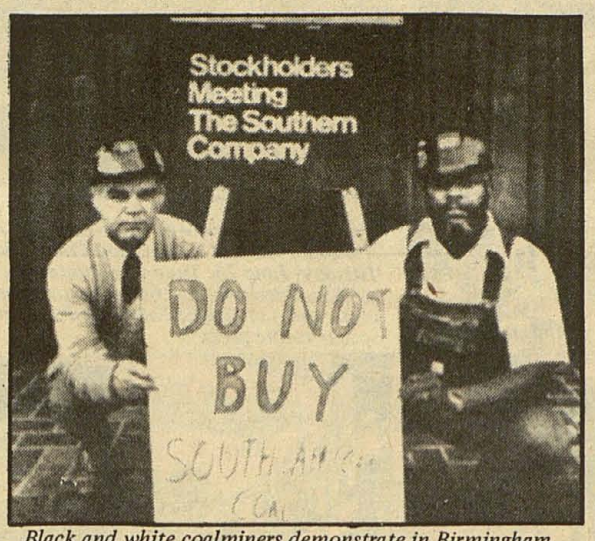


Little League officials have finally given in to public demand and have asked Congress to change the charter so that girls will be allowed to play.

Methodists Join Grape & Lettuce Boycott

The annual convention of the Northern Illinois United Methodists voted to join the nationwide boycott of lettuce and grapes. The resolution urges everyone to support the National Farm Workers Organization, AFL-CIO by not eating head lettuce and California grapes (sometimes disguised as Gallo wine).

In a related action, the Federal Trade Commission has brought charges against 13 California lettuce growers for price fixing. The price fixing began before the summer crop of 1972. Since that time growers had been blaming high prices of lettuce on the UFW boycott.



Black and white coalminers demonstrate in Birmingham, Ala. during the meeting of Southern Co. stockholders, denouncing the import of South African coal and the racism of the South African government.

Alabama Miners Support African Miners

6,500 black and white Alabama coal miners walked off their jobs on May 22nd in solidarity with South African coal miners, who are fighting for liberation from their white supremist government. The Alabama miners are protesting the import of 500,000 tons of coal from South Africa by the Southern Company, a major electric utility chain. Hundreds of miners joined a demonstration at the stock holders meeting of the Southern Company in Birmingham. The miners pointed out that the imported coal not only deprives Alabama miners of jobs but is also an attack on "South African miners fight for liberation."

Nuclear Plant Leaks At Quad Cities

A defective valve was blamed by the Atomic Emergy Commission for a mishap that blew radioactive steam over the plant area near Moline, Rock Island, East Moline, Ill. and Davenport Iowa. This is the second accident in three months to occur at the Commonwealth Edison plant located 150 miles west of Chicago. Although the most recent accident occured at 2:28 A.M., the Atomic Energy Commission was not notified until 8:30 A.M. and then the Civil Defense Department was not notified until 11:25 A.M. There has been no word as to whether the nearby Mississippi River was affected by the radioactive leak.

In Solidarity with Puerto Rico
U.S. ACTIVISTS MOBILIZING TO MADISON SQUARE GARDEN

NEW YORK–Well known political activists from all over the United States have announced that they will mobilize 20,000 people to Madison Square Garden next October to demand independence for Puerto Rico and a "bicentennial without colonies."

The announcement was made by Clyde Bellecourt, one of the leaders of the American Indian Movement (AIM) and a defendant in the Wounded Knee case, at a press conference held last Wednesday.

The fifteen Chicano, American Indian, Black, Asian, white North American and Puerto Rican activists have formed the National Board of the Puerto Rican Solidarity Day Committee which will sponsor the projected massive gathering.

At the press conference Bellecourt read the following statement on behalf of the National Board: "We, the members of the National Board of the Puerto Rican Solidarity Day Committee, declare our firm support for the resolution passed by the United Nations General Assembly last year, which reaffirms Puerto Rico's right to independence."

He concluded by saying that at the Solidarity Day mobilization, Puerto Ricans and other Latin Americans, whites and Afro-Americans, Chicanos, Asians, and Native American people will demand that 1976 be celebrated as a "bicentennial without colonies."

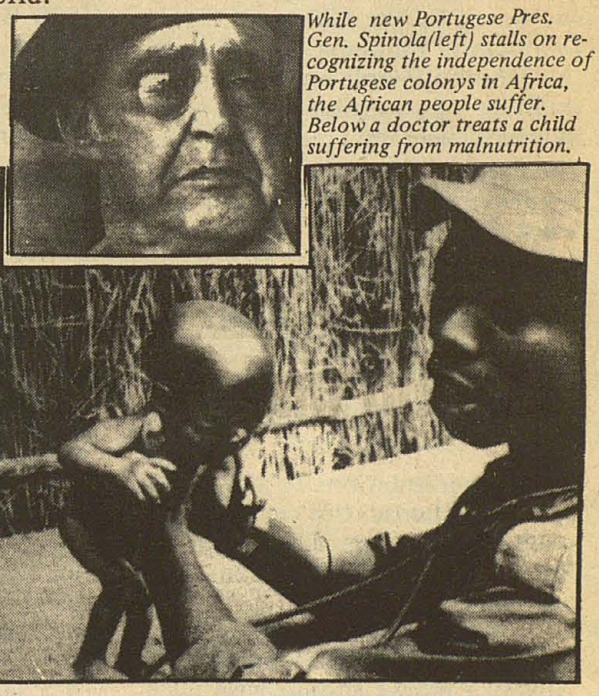
The World

Portugese Government Meets with African Independence Movements

The new government of Portugal is caught in a squeeze between the Portugese people and the people of Portugal's three African colonies, Guinea-Bissau, Angola, and Mozambique. The new Portugese government has promised to seek a political solution to the very unpopular colonial wars. The Portugese people have been paying the brunt of the wars. 40% of the Portugese national budget has gone to war, while 70% of the people must survive on under $200 a month.

The Portugese government wants to resolve the fighting but maintain economic control of its colonies. The African freedom fighters will not settle for a token independence. "It is not independence we are going to discuss with the Portugese. Independence is our inalienable right. We are going to discuss a transfer of power," said Samora Machel, a leader of the Mozambique Liberation Front.

Given this situation, talks between the independence movements of Angola, Mozambique and Guinea-Bissau and the Portugese government have been going on since the new government assumed power in Portugal. The eventual independence of the three African countries will change the whole political situation in Africa and indeed the world.



While new Portugese Pres. Gen. Spinola(left) stalls on recognizing the independence of Portugese colonys in Africa, the African people suffer. Below a doctor treats a child suffering from malnutrition.

War Continues in Vietnam

North Vietnam has accused American pilots of flying combat missions over populous areas. South Vietnam and the U.S. military deny these charges.

The U.S. Government estimates that there have been over 350,000 casualties in Vietnam since the peace agreement was signed over 16 months ago. There are still 1,100 Americans missing in Indochina.

PEOPLE'S GRAPEVINE

Here it is summer already and all we get is rain, rain and more rain. **Mike Hurst**, a well known personality from the northern suburbs has described the Chicagoland weather as "different degrees of wet". I'm afraid that he's right. I hope that everyone is enjoying their summer nonetheless. That means a whole lot. Let's get into some of the news I have this issue.

The first item concerns a convicted criminal, who used to be vice president of this country. Perhaps you remember him. His name is Spiro Agnew, ace reactionary racist crook. Well, it seems that old Spiro just hasn't learned anything yet. When he was vice president he was made a member of the elite Burning Tree Country Club in Bethesda, Maryland. This was an honorary membership for being vice president. But it seems that Spiro still thinks he can use the club anytime he wants. His locker space and membership were supposed to be turned over to Gerald Ford. Spiro, however, still uses the club, much to the embarassment of the rest of the members. It seems that all of Nixon's men just keep on hustling, lying and stealing. If it wasn't so sickening it would be funny.

Let's move on to some better news. . . like people's birthdays. Here's a few to start out with. **Marty Hill** (June 13); **Georgette Meadows** (June 21); **Liz Pollitzer** (June 21) and **Roy Kramer** (July 4). Happy Birthday!

On June 15 there was a rally and demonstration at the Civic Center. This rally was sponsored by the **Union of Democratic Filipinos** to "celebrate the Filipino People's time honored tradition of struggling for genuine independence and freedom". The rally was to show that Independence for the Filipino people is not a reality. Civilians are being massacred and the U.S. is intensifying its control of the Philippines. The Chicago rally was part of the world wide movement of Filipino people to gain genuine independence and freedom.

Congratulations to the **Red Hot Mamas**, the women's softball team from **Albany Park**, for finally getting your team together.

While we're thinking about Albany Park we should wish **Pam Walter** a quick recovery from her broken ankle.

We are happy to hear that brother **Yacko** from **Agassiz School Yard** is o.k. He was shot in the chest with a .38, but is up and around now.

The Gray Panthers, Age and Youth in Action, picketed the American Medical Association Convention in Chicago on Tuesday, June 25. They were protesting the poor medical services elderly receive in this country and rising medical costs. (below) Maggie Kuhn, leader of the Gray Panthers speaks to the press.

We are sad to hear that **Nick King** has left Chicago for Aurora. Although we hope you have a good time there, we're lookin' forward to seeing you back here real soon.

On **Friday, July 12**, there will be a benefit film showing for the **Chicago Women's Liberation Union**. 2 films, "Now We Live On Clifton" and "Winnie Wright, Age 11" which are about growing up in Uptown and Gage Park will be shown at the Francis Park Auditorium (330 W. Webster Ave.) at 8 & 10 p.m. Both movies were made by **Kartemquin Films**. Admission is $2.00. Good movies for a good cause!

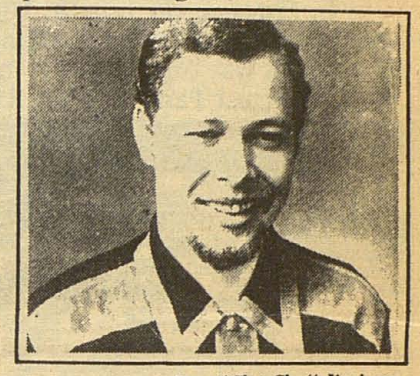
On Saturday, July 27, from 7-11 p.m. and on Sunday, July 28 from 12 noon to 6 p.m. the **Committee for July 26** will present a festival of art, music, and photographs. The festival is called **Cuba-Chile '74: Two Faces of Latin America** and will show the differences between the 2 Latin American countries. The festival will be at the Midland Hotel, 172 W. Adams. Admission is $2.00 for adults and 50c for children. This seems like another event that you shouldn't miss!

On thing that goes with summer is increased police activity. We have reports from parks and neighborhoods all over the city of intensified police brutality and harassment. Latest report comes from **Hamlin Park**. Only when we get together to fight for community control of the police can we effectively deal with this continuing problem of uncontrolled police power.

Let's do some more birthdays: Best wishes to **Marlene Kroll** (June 28); **Lee Ann Hodges** (June 27); **Dave Mengarelli** (July 1); and **Sue Kiss** (July 1).

Congratulations to **Susan and Don** from **Pleasant Valley Farm** on the birth of their daughter, **Corinna Liza.**

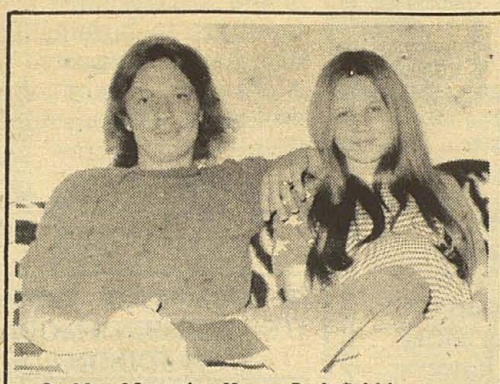
On June 20, **Jose "Cha Cha" Jimenez**, a leader of the **Young Lords Organization**, announced his candidacy for Alderman in the 46th Ward. In making his announcement, Cha Cha said: "We have concluded that we must develop a different approach and continue the struggle. No longer must we beg in protest to a deaf alderman who ignores our concerns. It is time that we have our own representatives in the City Council. It is time especially for Latinos, who are represented neither in the city nor the state government, to take political power." Right on!



Jose "Cha Cha" Jiminez

Did you hear about the teacher who told her class that if anyone felt they were stupid they should stand up. After a long silence, a 6 year old stood up. The teacher said, "Do you think you're stupid?" The boy answered, "No, but I didn't want to let you stand up all by yourself."

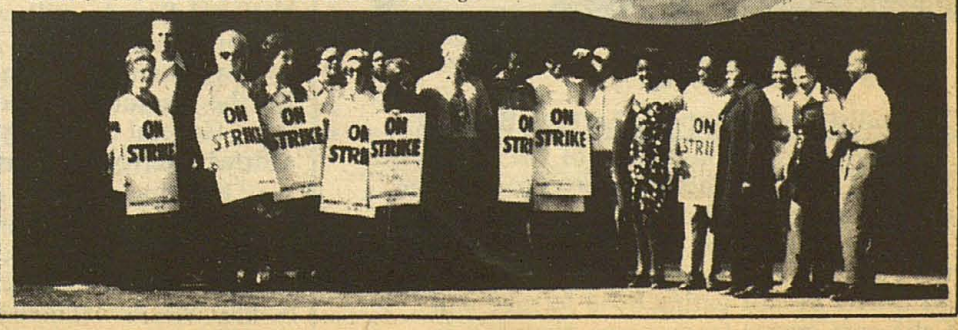
That's all, folks.



On May 25, at the Hoyne Park field house, Walter and Debbie Herman(above), who will be parents any day now, were beat up while using the phone,by Coach Hamzik and his pals because they wouldn't leave the second Hamzik told them to. Debbie was knocked to the floor and Walter was knocked unconscious. Now they have to think not only about their child but about court proceedings. Meanwhile Hamzik continues kicking people he doesn't like out of the park.

right. Athletes from Curie H.S. and the head of the women's phys. ed. dept. pose with trophies won during the past school year. The women have also led the fight for equal gym facilities for women at the school.

below. Amalgamated Clothing Workers recently went on strike and won a wage increase. 6000 members were on strike in Chicago.



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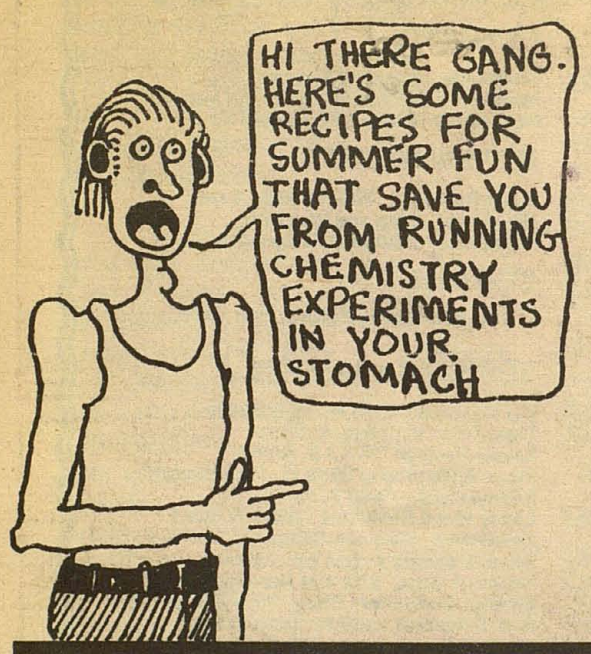

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